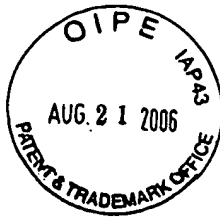


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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action of April 21, 2006, please amend the above-
identified application is as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
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